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such as the Federal Women's Program, Hispanic Emphasis Program, and Black Emphasis Program. The staff director reports directly to the Deputy Under Secretary for O&M.

(3) *Office of Communications.* Headed by a director who reports directly to the Deputy Under Secretary for O&M, this office has primary responsibility for tracking legislation and development and institution of policies to provide public communication and information services related to the Rural Development. The office maintains a constituent data base and conducts minority outreach efforts and administers a public information and media center responsible for media inquiries, news releases, program announcements, media advisories, and information retrieval. This office also serves as a liaison with Office of Congressional Relations (OCR), Office of the General Counsel (OGC), and other Departmental units involved in Congressional relations and public information. This office drafts testimony, prepares witnesses, and provides staff for hearings and markups. In addition, the office briefs Congressional members and staff on the Rural Development matters, coordinates Rural Development's legislative activities with other USDA agencies and OMB and develops and implements legislative strategy. The staff also coordinates development and production of brochures, press releases, and other public information materials.

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### § 2003.10 Rural Development State Offices.

(a) Headed by State Directors, State Offices report directly to the Under Secretary, Rural Development, and are responsible to the three Rural Development agency Administrators for carrying out agency program operations at the State level, ensuring adherence to program plans approved for the State by the Under Secretary, and rendering staff advisory and manpower support to Area and Local offices. The Rural Development State Directors, for budget and accounting purposes, are housed in the RHS agency.

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(b) Program Directors within the State Office provide oversight and leadership on major program functions. Major program functions include: Single Family and Multi-Family Housing loans and grants, Community Facility, Water and Waste Disposal, Business and Cooperative, and the Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities (EZ/EC) programs.

(c) The USDA Rural Development State Office locations are as follows:

State	Location
Alabama .....	Montgomery, AL
Alaska .....	Palmer, AK
Arizona .....	Phoenix, AZ
Arkansas .....	Little Rock, AR
California .....	Woodland, CA
Colorado .....	Lakewood, CO
Delaware .....	Camden, DE
Florida .....	Gainesville, FL
Georgia .....	Athens, GA
Hawaii .....	Hilo, HI
Idaho .....	Boise, ID
Illinois .....	Champaign, IL
Indiana .....	Indianapolis, IN
Iowa .....	Des Moines, IA
Kansas .....	Topeka, KS
Kentucky .....	Lexington, KY
Louisiana .....	Alexandria, LA
Maine .....	Bangor, ME
Massachusetts .....	Amherst, MA
Michigan .....	East Lansing, MI
Minnesota .....	St. Paul, MN
Mississippi .....	Jackson, MS
Missouri .....	Columbia, MO
Montana .....	Bozeman, MT
Nebraska .....	Lincoln, NE
Nevada .....	Carson City, NV
New Jersey .....	Mt. Holly, NJ
New Mexico .....	Albuquerque, NM
New York .....	Syracuse, NY
North Carolina .....	Raleigh, NC
North Dakota .....	Bismarck, ND
Ohio .....	Columbus, OH
Oklahoma .....	Stillwater, OK
Oregon .....	Portland, OR
Pennsylvania .....	Harrisburg, PA
Puerto Rico .....	Hato Rey, PR
South Carolina .....	Columbia, SC
South Dakota .....	Huron, SD
Tennessee .....	Nashville, TN
Texas .....	Temple, TX
Utah .....	Salt Lake City, UT
Vermont .....	Montpelier, VT
Virginia .....	Richmond, VA
Washington .....	Olympia, WA
West Virginia .....	Charleston, WV
Wisconsin .....	Stevens Point, WI
Wyoming .....	Casper, WY

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### § 2003.14 Field Offices.

Rural Development field offices report to their respective State Director